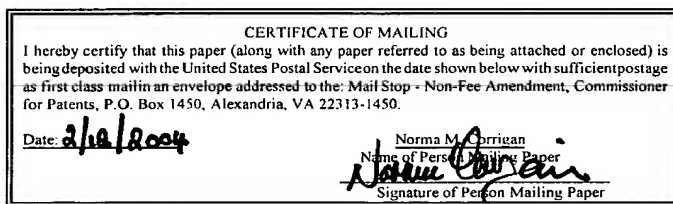


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METALLOCENE CATALYST THEREFOR, THE RESULTING POLYMER
AND LUBRICANT CONTAINING SAME



RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In the Office Action mailed February 5, 2004, the examiner requires restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 USC 121:

- I. Claims 1-9, drawn to a polymerization process, classified in class 585, subclass 511.
- II. Claims 10-23, drawn to a polymer, classified in class 585, subclass 17.
- III. Claims 24-29 (as renumbered), drawn to a lubricating oil, classified in class 208, subclass 18.
- IV. Claims 30-35, drawn to a blending process, classified in class 585, subclass 1.

Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, to prosecute the subject matter of Group I, claims 1-9, in the instant application.

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